

<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>10/523351</b> U.S. APPLICATION NO. (IF KNOWN) 37 CFR 1.5
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2003/009505	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE July 25, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED July 29, 2002
<b>TITLE OF INVENTION</b> WATERMARK SIGNAL GENERATING APPARATUS, WATERMARK SIGNAL GENERATING METHOD, COMPUTER-EXECUTABLE PROGRAM FOR PERFORMING THE SAME METHOD AND COMPUTER-READABLE STORAGE MEDIUM IN WHICH THE SAME PROGRAM IS STORED, DIGITAL WATERMARK EMBEDDING APPARATUS, AS WELL AS DIGITAL TELEVISION APPARATUS INCLUDING THE SAME DIGITAL WATERMARK EMBEDDING APPARATUS		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US International Business Machines Corporation		EV001687268US January 28, 2005

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and Other information:

1.  This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2.  This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3.  This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and 21 indicated below.
4.  The US has been elected (Article 31).
5.  A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a.  is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b.  has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c.  is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6.  An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a.  are attached hereto
  - b.  has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7.  Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a.  are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b.  have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c.  have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d.  have not been made and will not be made.
8.  An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9.  An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10.  An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

**Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:**

11.  An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12.  An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13.  A preliminary amendment.
14.  An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15.  A substitute specification.
16.  A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17.  A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.
18.  A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19.  A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20.  Other items or information: Unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney

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